post investment problems faced by the investors, Government has set up Foreign Investment Implementation Authority (FIIA) comprising representatives from Central and State Governments. There has been improvement in Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) inflows during the last 10 years.

Dumping of Medicines by China

†2580. SHRI JANESHWAR MISHRA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that China is fast dumping drugs in India these days;

(b) whether it is also a fact that there is no one to give any guarantee of reliability for these drugs;

(c) whether Paracetamol has been dumped on a large scale; and

(d) if so, the action taken by Government to check dumping of drugs?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI OMAR ABDULLAH): (a) There are some cases of dumping involving imports of drugs from China.

(b) The imports are subject to the quality requirements as administered by Ministry of Health.

(c) and (d) The Directorate General of Anti-Dumping & Allied Duties has received a fully documented petition regarding dumping of Paracetamol from China & Taiwan. The case has been initiated on 30.1.2001. The investigation is being carried out to assess the evidence of dumping, injury to the domestic industry and causal link between the dumping of the imported goods and injury to come out with preliminary findings.

Streamlining of Anti-Dumping Procedures

2581. SHRI R.P. GOENKA: Will the Minister COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) The broad policy guidelines being followed to protect industry interests while deciding anti-dumping measures;

(b) The present status of investigations into various categories of

complaints of dumping of products by foreign suppliers into India allegedly causing injury to our domestic producers; and anti-dumping action in progress against our exports in overseas markets; and

(c) whether the Anti-dumping Directorate is adequately equipped and the procedures are streamlined to handle such additional complaints likely to arise after lifting of the quantitative restrictions on imports on April 1, 2001?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI OMAR ABDULLAH): (a) Anti-dumping measures are initiated and decided in accordance with our national law as enshrined in Section 9A, 9B & 9C of Customs Tariff Act, 1975 as amended in 1995. The anti-dumping cases are initiated on the basis of sufficient evidence of dumping causing injury to the domestic industry and a causal link between the two. The basic objective behind initiating and deciding anti-dumping measures is to remove unfair trade practices causing injury to the domestic industry and to provide the domestic industry with a level playing field.

(b) The Directorate General of Anti-Dumping & Allied Duties has initiated investigations in 87 cases since 1992. Out of these 87 cases, final Anti-Dumping duty has been recommended in 62 cases and Preliminary Findings have been issued in 17 cases. The remaining 8 cases are under investigation for Preliminary Findings.

There are 35 Anti-Dumping cases, in progress against Indian exports in foreign countries.

(c) The Directorate General of Anti-Dumping and Allied Duties (DGAD) is adequately equipped to handle the petitions that are likely to arise in the wake of lifting of quantitative restrictions on imports. The procedures of the DGAD have been streamlined to expedite the investigations within the framework of law and broadly within the time frame so stipulated.

Share of Agriculture in Exports

2582. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) the share of agriculture in total exports during the first three years of the Ninth Five Year Plan;

(b) whether developed countries have imposed non-tariff barriers which inhibit exports from India; and

(c) if so, its impact on Indian agriculture exports?